



# Media release

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## Toowoomba trainer Ben Currie refused interim stay

A Queensland Racing Integrity Commission (QRIC) submission to oppose an interim stay of proceedings for Toowoomba Trainer Ben Currie at the Queensland Civil and Administrative Tribunal (QCAT) today has been granted.

On Monday 28 May Mr Currie was charged with 31 breaches of the Australian Rules of Racing and ordered that any nomination or acceptance under Mr Currie's name will be rejected until the Inquiry concludes. Subsequently he will be allowed to exercise the horses listed in his stable only.

The further request to adjourn the stay application hearing until Friday 1 June 2018 was also granted to give QRIC more time to prepare submissions.

Mr Currie who did not attend today's stay application hearing, but was represented by counsel has been directed to appear in person on Friday.

In a separate hearing also at QCAT today, both parties consented to allow a stay of proceedings for his father Trainer Mark Currie until the QRIC Internal Review is released.

Stewards disqualified Mr Mark Currie for two years at a reconvened Stewards Inquiry on 21 May. Mr Currie's licence to train will be reinstated for a period of five days after his Internal Review is received.

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